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Inventors: Lilip Lau, William Hartigan,	)	Group Art Unit: 3738
John J. Frantzen	)	
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For: EXPANDABLE STENTS AND	)	Los Angeles, California
METHOD FOR MAKING SAME	)	November 30, 1999

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office action dated August 26, 1999, a response to which is due November 26, 1999. Please amend the claims and consider the following remarks in connection with the above identified pending patent application. A one-month extension of time with the appropriate fee is being submitted concurrently herewith.

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TCD700 MAIL ROOM

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 1 without prejudice.